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Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, mailed March 27, 2002, Applicant elects, Group IV, claims 1-6 and 11-35, directed to a method of amplifying a nucleic acid molecule in a cell by targeting it to an amplifiable region of a chromosome, and to nucleic acid molecules, without traverse, for examination on the merits.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 7/10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

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Claims 1-6 and 11-35 are pending in this application. Claims 7-10, which are drawn to non-elected subject matter, are cancelled herein. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional application(s) to the non-elected subject matter.

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